



## **Alcohol and Tobacco Control State of Louisiana**

### **Judge Allows Bourbon Strip Clubs to Reopen**

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Baton Rouge, La: A New Orleans judge has temporarily blocked ATC's order to shut down three strip clubs with multiple counts of prostitution and drug sales despite the finding by ATC that the businesses posed a threat to the public health, safety, and welfare. On October 28, 2015, Judge Regina Woods, with the Orleans Parish Civil District Court, issued a temporary restraining order allowing The Mansion on Bourbon, Centerfolds, and Lipstixx, to resume selling alcohol only 24 hours after ATC issued emergency suspensions to them.

"New Orleans is going to have to make a decision- does it want law and order or does it want to be like the Wild Wild West? Citizens across the state entrust ATC and our law enforcement partners to make the French Quarter a safer place," stated ATC Commissioner Troy Hebert. "Human trafficking, prostitution, and drugs go hand in hand. We must attack these as a united front if we are going to clean things up."

A hearing on the strip clubs' lawsuit will be held next week in New Orleans.

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